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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the following application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace page 8, paragraph 6 with the following paragraph:

A1  
Fig. 20 shows SEQ ID NOS: 3 and 4, the nucleotide and amino-acid sequence, respectively, of GB3s-2.

Please replace page 8, paragraph 9, with the following paragraph:

A2  
The polymorphism C1429T is referenced to the cDNA sequence as was described by Levine et al. Here replacement of the C by a T takes place on position 1429 of the cDNA: